(b) No precise indication is yet available, although he has said that he would wish to visit India early .

(c) Prime Minister's invitation was handed over personally to Dr. Nelson Mandela at his house in Soweto near Johannesburg, South Africa on February, 14, 1990 by a Special Envoy. Dr. Mandela was very appreciative of India's role and profusely thanked the Prime Minister for the invitation. He indicated his intention to visit India as soon as possible.

Interference by Pakistan in internal affairs of India

260. SHRl GURUDAS DAS GUFfA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL! AFFAIRS be please to state:

(a) whether Government have taken up the matter of interference by Pakistan into the internal affairs of India particularly with respect to the problems of Kashmir and Punjab with the leading countries of the world; and

(b) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) and (b) Pakistan's interference in our internal affairs has been brought to" the attention of all concerned. Most countries approached have shown understanding for India's position.

Dilapidated condition of DTC main office at Connaught Place, New Delhi

261. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANS PORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the shabby surroundings and lack of maintenance of D.T.C, main office operating in the heart of Connaught Circus, New Delhi despite owners of the premises offering their services in this behalf;

(b) whether there are no proper light points and the floors as well as utair-eases require heavy repairs in these D.T.C, premises located in Scindia House, New Delhi; and

(c) whether an$_v$ study has been undertaken by Government to ensure functioning of separate eat and tidy counters for tourists and local clients visiting this office throughout the day; if go, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE, MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) and (b) DTC has intimated that the sourrounding areas and the stair cases at their Scindia House Office are used by a large number of tenants and users. The DTC does not have exclusive control over these areas. These common areas have to be properly maintained by the owner and no action has been taken by the owner to property repair and maintain the common areas. Insofar as DTC Office is concerned, the premises have sufficient lighting points and are maintained in a satisfactory state.

(c) No study has been undertaken by Government regarding this. A neat and clean DTC tourist counter on the ground floor provides service to the tourists.

TV scripts pending with Doordarshan

262. SHRI VITHALBHAI M, PATEL: Will the Minister of INFOR-MATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of TV serial scripts are pending with the Doordarshan for final clearance;

(b) the number of such scripts pending for the clearance with Doordarshan at present; and

(c) by when the pending scripts for producing TV serials are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PAR LIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) No. Sir. **All** the pro posals for sponsored serials received prior to 7-5-86, when registration for furthe'r serials was closed have al. ready been examined and decision taken.

(b) and (c) Do not arise. **All** Assam students **union plea**

263. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All Assam Students Union had made a plea to Government to scrap the Illegal Immigrants Act, 1983;

(b) if so, what grounds have been Edduced by AASU in this regard; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED); (a) Yes Sir: All Assam Students' Union have requested for repealin theg Illegal Migrants (Determination by Tribunals) Act, 1983.

(b) All Assam Students' Union are of the view that the provisions of this Act have not been effective in facilitating detection and expulsion of Illegal Migrants.

(c) The proposal is being examined.

Message of special envoy of Pakistan

264. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a special envoy of the Pakistani Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister visited New Delhi in January this year; and

(b) if so, what was the precise message brought by the envoy and what specific issues were discussed with them and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Special Envoy Ambassador Abdul Sattar delivered a letter to Prime Minister from Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto expressing desire to normalise relations between the two countries. These sentiments were duly reciprocated.

During the visit of Ambassador Abdul Sattar and Pakistan's Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan, our concern at Pakistan's involvement in terrorist activities directed against India in Jammu & Kashmir was suitably conveyed. It was reiterated that Jammu & Kashmir is an integral part of India, and any interference in our internal affairs would be unacceptable. The Simla Agreement, which is the bedrock of relations between the two countries expressly forbids the organisation, assistance or encouragement of any acts detrimental to the maintenance of peaceful and harmonious relations.

Bilateral relations between the two countries were reviewed and it was agreed that discussions would continue at all levels, including the Defence, Home and Water Resources Secretaries, to tackle pending problems. It was also agreed that the India-Pakistan Joint Commission may meet in. the first half of 1990.

Committee to evaluate the performance and working of O-dot

265. PROF. **C.** LAKSHMANNA:

SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Committee has been set up to evaluate the performance and the working of C-DOT; if so, what are the terms of reference and the personnel of the Cornmittee and whether the Committee has submitted its